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OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY ANNOUNCES COLLECTION SITES FOR CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING

INDIANAPOLIS – The City's Office of Sustainability, in partnership with Indy Parks, will offer eight drop-off locations in Marion County for residents to recycle their Christmas trees beginning December 26, 2011 through January 31, 2012.

The City's tree recycling program diverts waste from the landfill and adds mulch to our parks and street trees. Last year, nearly 15,000 Christmas trees were recycled through the City's collection program. Residents are encouraged to help make Indianapolis a more sustainable city and take advantage of this easy, environmentally friendly way to dispose of their trees.

Residents are asked to remove all ornaments, lights, tree stands, plastic bags, nails and other decorations before drop-off. No artificial trees will be accepted. Trees will be accepted at the following locations during normal park hours (dawn to dusk), seven days a week. Follow signs within each park to the specific drop-off locations.

- Broad Ripple Park, 1610 Broad Ripple Ave., south lot
- Ellenberger Park, 5301 E. St. Clair St., west of pool in main parking lot
- Garfield Park, 2432 Conservatory Drive, MacAllister Center
- Krannert Park, 605 S. High School Road, north parking lot
- Riverside Park, 2420 N. Riverside Drive, tennis court parking lot
- Perry Park, 451 E. Stop 11 Road, soccer field parking lot
- Sahm Park, 6801 E. 91st St., soccer field parking lot
- Northwestway Park, 5253 W. 62nd St., near the recycling bins

To learn more about Mayor Ballard's vision of making Indianapolis one of the most sustainable cities in the Midwest, visit www.indy.gov/sustainindy.